as compared with the revised estimate. Another sum of Rs. ¾ lakh has been reduced from Stamps and Registration, a slight decline being anticipated in the abnormal increased receipts of the current year. The only other item which need be mentioned is the receipts under Interest. This has been budgeted for Rs. 1¼ lakhs less than the anticipated receipts for the current year. As stated in para 9 above, it is the net result of the omission of the non-recurring receipt on account of premium on the purchase of Government of India Securities and of the addition on account of the increased estimate of interest receipts for two half-years on the surplus investments in Government of India Pro-notes made in the current year. The estimate of Rs. 2 lakhs under railways for the next year has already been explained.

EXPENDITURE.

14. On the expenditure side, the original estimate of established charges was Rs. 203½ lakhs. With the help of the Finance Committee, the Government examined 108 new proposals for additions in the budget and have provided an additional sum of Rs. 4½ lakhs. References to these proposals are detailed in foot-notes to the budget.

15. *Land Revenue Department.* A sum of Rs. 14,200 has been provided for the improvement of markets. Besides this, another sum of Rs. 13,600 has been allotted in the Public Works Budget under Incomplete and New Works, thus making a total provision of Rs. 27,800. As a result of the discussions in the Legislative Council and representations in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, it is proposed to raise the number of 1st grade *Proverthikars* from 56 to 100 and to reduce correspondingly the number of 2nd grade *Proverthikars* from 349 to 305.

16. *Forests.* A sum of Rs. 11,200 has been provided under the Forest Department for forest settlement work by the appointment of a full-time officer with the necessary staff for settling claims in respect of 25 proposed reserves pending enquiry. The Forest School at Konni is to be continued for another year.

17. *General Administration.* A Special Officer has been appointed with effect from 7th Edavam 1101, for conducting enquiries into applications from Ezhavas under Section 33 of the Ezhava Regulation for exemption from the provisions of Chapters IV and VII (1) of the Regulation; and in view of the large number of applications in respect of which enquiries have to be conducted, provision has been made for the continued employment of the Special Officer and his staff up to the end of Tulam 1102.

18. *Administration of Justice.* Provision is made for the continuance of the temporary Bench of the High Court as well as of the temporary Second Judges' courts and of five out of the six temporary Munsiffs courts. It is also proposed to continue the three temporary Sirkar Vakils throughout 1102. A temporary staff for the Rule Committee has been provided for, as also a provision of Rs. 30,700 for the Law's Delays Committee for a period of eight months in 1102. Under Civil and Sessions

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

[Mr. R. Nilakanta Pillai.]

courts, the allotments necessary (i) for the opening of a Munsiff-Magistrate's court at Todupuzha by the abolition of one of the temporary Munsiffs' courts, (ii) for the conversion, as an experimental measure, of the Munsiff's court at Changanachery into a Munsiff-Magistrate's court to supply the existing demand for the establishment of a full-time Stationary Magistrate's court there, and (iii) for the establishment of a Bench Magistrate's court at Mavelikara, have been made. A lump sum of Rs. 10,000 has also been allotted for the introduction of measures for the amelioration of the condition of under-trial prisoners. The budget estimate for the department thus exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. ¾ lakh.

19. *Police.* Provision is made for the opening of a new outpost at Oachira and for the addition of 30 constables for the Trivandrum and Kottayam districts. Besides, it is proposed to appoint 6 probationary Inspectors with a view to train them up and eventually to absorb them as Inspectors.

20. *Education.* The budget estimate exceeds the revised estimate by nearly Rs. 2½ lakhs. Besides providing for the opening of a few Vernacular primary schools in backward localities and for the opening of higher classes and additional divisions in some of the existing Vernacular schools, a lump provision is also made for the opening of Group II (Natural Science) of the Intermediate course in His Highness the Maha Raja's College for Women and for raising the standard of that College to the First Grade by opening Group V (History and Economics) and VI (Languages) of the B. A. degree course, with effect from the beginning of the next academic year 1927-28. Women students who wish to take Group II (Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology) now join either the local College of Science or the Women's Christian College at Madras. A second grade college is at best only a half-way house in that it takes students through only a part of their university course. It was also reported that the Women's Colleges at Madras have recently declared that they would no longer admit women from Travancore, unless vacancies remain after the demands of British Indian students are fully satisfied. A sum of Rs. 89,000 has been provided for the payment of grants to private colleges which at present take a large share of the responsibility in providing higher education for the ever-increasing number of the student population of the country.

21. *Agriculture and Fisheries.* Additional provision is made for the reorganisation of the Fisheries Department by the appointment of a third Fishery Inspector with the necessary staff and by a readjustment of the work of the Inspectors with a view to have more efficient control. It is also proposed to continue the Agricultural School at Alwaye for a further period of two years and the experimental station at Porakad for the investigation of *kari* soils for a further period of three years. Besides the three existing Fishery Schools, another Fishery continuation school will be opened at Munambam.

22. *Medical and Sanitary Departments.* These departments receive an increased allotment of Rs. 1½ lakhs. Besides the two

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

dispensaries, one at Tumpaman and the other at Kumili opened towards the close of the current year, it is proposed to open two more permanent dispensaries, one at Pulinkunnu and the other at Perunkadavila and to appoint a woman Sub-Assistant Surgeon for the District Hospital, Nagercoil. Substantial increases have been made under "dieting charges", "bedding and clothing" and "purchase and repair of furniture", and additional staff has been provided for for opening new wards in the General Hospital, and the labour wards in the hospitals at Nagercoil, Quilon and Kottayam. A sum of Rs. 2,28,300 has been allotted for the purchase of European medicines and surgical instruments, which is in excess of the current year's allotment and the past year's expenditure by Rs. 46,000. It is also proposed to equip the General Hospital with an electrical department where X-ray appliances can be made available and a plant for generating electricity, at a total cost of Rs. 35,000 and provision is accordingly made for the purpose. As the Madras Government declined to allow any capitation grant on behalf of women students from Travancore undergoing training in the Missionary Medical School at Vellore, it is proposed to give a capitation grant of Rs. 500 per annum for a period of four years to the Medical School at Vellore for training two Travancore students. According to the programme laid down and followed in the previous years, it is also proposed to open ten new *Vaidyasalas* during the year 1102.

23. *Scientific and Miscellaneous Departments.* The seven temporary Inspectors entertained in the Co-operative Department during the current year are to be continued during the next year, and provision is also made for the appointment of three more temporary Inspectors to cope with the increased volume of work in the department.

24. *Public Works.* Under Public Works, the current year's allotment is Rs. 29 lakhs excluding railway reconnoitering charges. These charges have now been shown in the revised estimates under Capital Expenditure not charged to Revenue, by deduction from the allotment for Public Works. Additional funds to the extent of Rs. 1,65,400 have been sanctioned during the current year, the major portion being in connection with the repair of damages caused by the floods of Tulam 1101. For the next year, a sum of Rs. 30 lakhs has been allotted for expenditure by the P. W. D. Of this provision of Rs. 30 lakhs, Rs. 3¾ lakhs is for buildings, Rs. 15¾ lakhs for communications, Rs. 1 lakh for miscellaneous public improvements such as lighting, water-supply, drainage and sewerage, etc., and Rs. 1½ lakhs for protective irrigation works, a lump sum of Rs. 18,100 being included under the latter for new works to be taken up as a result of the investigation of irrigation works by the temporary staff of Supervisors proposed to be continued in 1102. Establishment, and tools and plant together cost Rs. 5½ lakhs and a sum of Rs. 70,000 has been provided for expenditure in connection with the construction of the Palace at Delhi.

Capital Expenditure not charged to Revenue.

25. The budget estimate for 1101 provided for an expenditure of Rs. 5,000 on Capital Works relating to the Quilon-Trivandrum

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly